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GOVERNMENT OF ORISSA

PANCHAYATI RAJ DEPARTMENT

RESOLUTION

The 4th May 2006

SUBJECT—Constitution of “Orissa Poverty Reduction Mission (OPRM)”

Despite huge natural resources and long coast line poverty is widespread in the State of Orissa. A number of anti-poverty programmes have been launched in the past but these have failed to eradicate poverty due to absence of end to end solutions, poor participation of the target groups and lack of proper co-ordination among various line Departments. As per the estimates of Planning Commission the percentage of population below the poverty line was 48.02 in rural areas and 42.83 in urban areas in 1999-2000. This gives the State, the dubious distinction of being one of the poorest States in the country.

Formation of Self Help Groups to undertake income generating activities has been a major thrust to promote self-employment in rural areas and to address rural poverty.

But inadequate infrastructure, non-availability of market intelligence and support, lack of entrepreneurship and managerial skills among the members of the SHGs are preventing the groups from achieving optimal results.

Government of Orissa in Panchayati Raj Department have taken initiatives to launch a poverty reduction project named Targeted Rural Initiatives for Poverty Termination & Infrastructure (TRIPTI) with the assistance of the World Bank.

The World Bank in consultation with Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance, Government of India has been in engagement with the State Government for last one and a half years to develop the project concept and various operation manuals. The Bank has also shown its keenness to support the initiative of the State Government to launch TRIPTI project in the selected Blocks of the State. The development objective of the proposed project is to empower the poor, viz. Economic Activity Groups (EAGs) and their federations, help them to acquire productive assets and increase their incomes from rural livelihood.

For successful implementation of the project it is felt necessary to establish a society named as Orissa Poverty Reduction Mission under the Chairmanship of the Chief Secretary & Chief Development Commissioner. Hence the Government resolves to constitute Orissa Poverty Reduction Mission with the following membership. The Mission will be registered under the provisions of Societies Registration Act, 1860.

Governing Body :

The Governing Body of Orissa Poverty Reduction Mission shall be constituted as follows :—

Sl. No.	Designation of the Member of the Governing Body		Status	Occupation
(1)	(2)		(3)	(4)
1	Chief Secretary & Chief Development Commissioner.	..	Chairman	Government Service.
2	Agriculture Production Commissioner & Additional Chief Secretary.	..	Vice-Chairman	Ditto
3	Development Commissioner & Additional Chief Secretary.	..	Co-Vice-Chairman.	Ditto
4	Additional Chief Secretary, Finance	..	Member	Ditto
5	Principal Secretary to the Chief Minister	..	Member	Ditto
6	Principal Secretary, Agriculture Department	..	Member	Ditto
7	Principal Secretary, Forest & Environment Department.	..	Member	Ditto
8	Commissioner- <i>cum</i> -Secretary, Panchayati Raj Department.	..	Member	Ditto
9	Commissioner- <i>cum</i> -Secretary, Women & Child Development Department.	..	Member	Ditto
10	Commissioner- <i>cum</i> -Secretary, S.T. & S.C. Development Department.	..	Member	Ditto
11	Commissioner- <i>cum</i> -Secretary, Textiles & Handloom Department.	..	Member	Ditto
12	Commissioner- <i>cum</i> -Secretary, Fisheries & Animal Resources Development Department.	..	Member	Ditto
13	Team Leader, UNDP, Orissa	..	Member	UN Agency
14	Chief General Manager, NABARD, Bhubaneswar.	..	Member	Banking
15	Chief General Manager, S.B.I., Bhubaneswar Region.	..	Member	Banking

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
16	Convenor, SLBC- <i>cum</i> -Deputy General Manager, UCO Bank, Bhubaneswar.	.. Member	Banking
17	Project Director, TRIPTI	.. Member-Secretary & Chief Executive Officer.	Government Service.
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(Sl. Nos. 18—21 Non-Government Members to be nominated)

The management of affairs of society shall be vested with the Executive Committee. The composition of the Executive committee is as follows :—

Sl. No.	Designation	Status
(1)	(2)	(3)
1	Commissioner- <i>cum</i> -Secretary to Government of Orissa, Panchayati Raj Department.	.. Chairman
2	Director, Special Projects, Panchayati Raj Department.	.. Member
3	Director, Agriculture	.. Member
4	Director, Mission Shakti	.. Member
5	Director, Fisheries	.. Member
6	Director, Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services	.. Member
7	Director, Handicrafts & Cottage Industries	.. Member
8	Director, Textiles & Handloom	.. Member
9	Convenor, SLBC- <i>cum</i> -Deputy General Manager, UCO Bank.	.. Member
10	Director, Employment Mission	.. Member
11	Project Director, TRIPTI	.. Member-Secretary & Chief Executive Officer.
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Two Non-Government Members to be nominated by and from the G. B.

The important functions of the Governing Body are as follows :—

- (a) The Governing Body shall provide overall policy guidance and direction for the efficient functioning of the State Mission in fulfilling its vision and objectives as laid down in the Memorandum of Association.
- (b) It shall consider the balance sheet and annual audited accounts of the State Mission presented by the Member-Secretary along with the remarks thereon by the Executive Committee.
- (c) It shall consider the Annual Report presented by the Member-Secretary along with the comments thereon by the Executive Committee.
- (d) It shall approve the Annual Action Plan and budget for the ensuing year
- (e) It shall ensure that the State Mission adheres to the norms set out by the funding agency and Government of Orissa from time to time and fulfills all the agreements, covenants and contracts entered into by the Mission.

The important functions of the Executive Committee are as follows :—

- (a) Recruit and appoint all staff of the State Mission
- (b) Ensure that the State Mission considers any comment made by funding agency on the progress in the implementation of the projects sponsored and funded by them.
- (c) Monitor progress of the project to ensure achievement of the project objectives
- (d) Closely monitor the financial position of the State Mission in order to ensure timely income flow and to review annual audited accounts.

ORDER—It is ordered that the Resolution be published in the Extraordinary, Gazette of the Orissa Government for the general information and copy be communicated to all the Departments of Government/Heads of Departments and others concerned.

By order of the Governor

S. N. TRIPATHI

Commissioner-*cum*-Secretary